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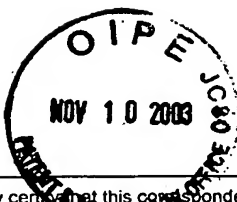
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the references identified on the enclosed form PTO-1449 are directed to the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom are disclosed to the Examiner for consideration in connection with the present application.

Except for any U.S. Patent documents, a copy of each reference on the enclosed form PTO-1449 is attached.

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